

A key to the barrack buildings

OFFICERS ROW

The oldest, most well-known portion of Fort Vancouver National Site. Owned by the city of Vancouver and managed by the Fort Vancouver National Trust, the buildings, 21 of which were Army officers' homes, fell into disrepair before a \$10.9 million rehabilitation that started in 1987. Today, the row contains a mix of 35 rental residences and 15 commercial buildings and serves as an inspiration for the eventual remake of the rest of the site.

EAST BARRACKS

- 1 **Military offices**, including the 104th Division Headquarters, known as the Timberwolves or Nightfighters.
- 2 **Storage**
- 3 **Post Exchange and restaurant**, built in 1914 but no longer open. (Currently Orderly Room).
- 4 **Quartermaster storehouse** (Now used by Reservists who provide medical care to troops).
- 5 **Auditorium**, built in 1905. Park officials say this 11,000 square foot building presents the best opportunity to become a large convention meeting area for the whole site. It has a commercial grade kitchen in the back. There was a bowling alley in the basement, now filled with athletic equipment.
- 6 **Quartermaster storehouse**, built in 1919.
- 7 **Finance office** (Currently offices for Drill Sergeant School).
- 8 **Quartermaster shop** (Currently Shopette/Post Exchange). The Post Exchange, originally in building marked 3, was the first in the Army. The Park Service said that they are hoping to encourage them to stay.
- 9 **Carpenter shop**, built in 1906. (Currently maintenance, wood shop, barber.)
- 10 **Quartermaster storehouse**, built in 1917.
- 11 **Quartermaster storehouse**, dates to 1906. Once used as the PX, currently vacant.
- 12 **Barracks** (Currently the training building for the 204th Army Band). The band will continue to train and play in the area.
- 13 **Storage**, built in 1940.
- 14 **Motor repair shop, vehicle parking**, 1919.

SOUTH BARRACKS

- 15 **The Civil Air Patrol** is in this 15,000 square foot building, constructed in 1935. However, the Park Service thinks it may serve well as a trailhead building to those coming in from the nearby land bridge over Highway 14. The building, once remodeled, could have restrooms and bike or stroller rentals.
- 16 **Built in 1935**, when a lumber railroad went past the building, this warehouse is used today. Its long narrow shape could make it difficult to repurpose for the National Park Service.
- 17 **Built to be an airplane hangar**, it only served as such for about a year. Today, it's used for maintenance and storage. However, the Park Service thinks it would serve well as a historical repository and museum for the fort, and could be open to the public. Retrofitting the large, open building for that use, however, could be expensive, but much less than new construction.
- 18 **Maintenance building/storehouses**, built in 1983. Used for motor maintenance.

OTHER BUILDINGS

(Not part of the Vancouver Barracks)

- 19 **This building, occupied by the Federal Highway Administration**, is the last remaining mule barn on the Fort Vancouver National Site.
- 20 **Federal Highway Administration offices**.

WEST BARRACKS

- 21 **NCO duplexes** (non-commissioned officers housing) are all occupied in this cluster. There are 7 duplex buildings for a total of 14 units which are rented to the public. They someday could be part of a planned hotel complex.
- 22 **Dental surgeon office**, this building was originally used as the morgue for the Post Hospital.
- 23 **Infantry barracks**, vacant today.
- 24 **The International Air & Hospitality Academy** teaches classes in culinary arts or hospitality and restaurant management from these buildings. The building was originally used as a mess hall.
- 25 **Residential rental**, dates back to 1907 and was the hospital sergeant's quarters.
- 26 **Residential rental**, built in 1887, served as the hospital steward's quarters.
- 27 **Quartermaster storehouse**, supplied everything for the soldiers except weapons. Used by U.S. Grant before he became a general.